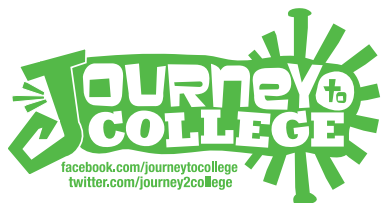


“I realized that even if school isn’t something I could afford, with the right plan and determination, there’s always a way.”



Check out the MDHE’s *Journey to College* page on Facebook. Developed and maintained by Missouri students

who welcome your questions and comments, *Journey to College* provides an avenue in which to obtain a variety of information geared toward future or current college students. If you are interested in planning and paying for college, receiving financial aid updates and learning more about financial literacy, check out the MDHE’s *Journey to College* page on Facebook. Click “Like” at facebook.com/journeytocollege.

If you prefer to tweet, the MDHE created a Twitter account to assist students just like you. Follow *Journey to College* at twitter.com/Journey2College to receive short updates regarding scholarships, federal and state aid deadlines and money management tips.

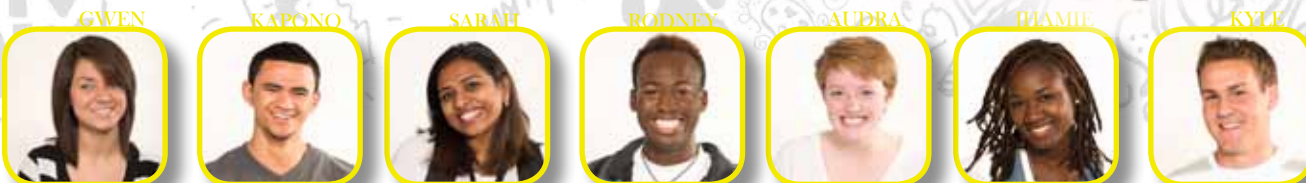
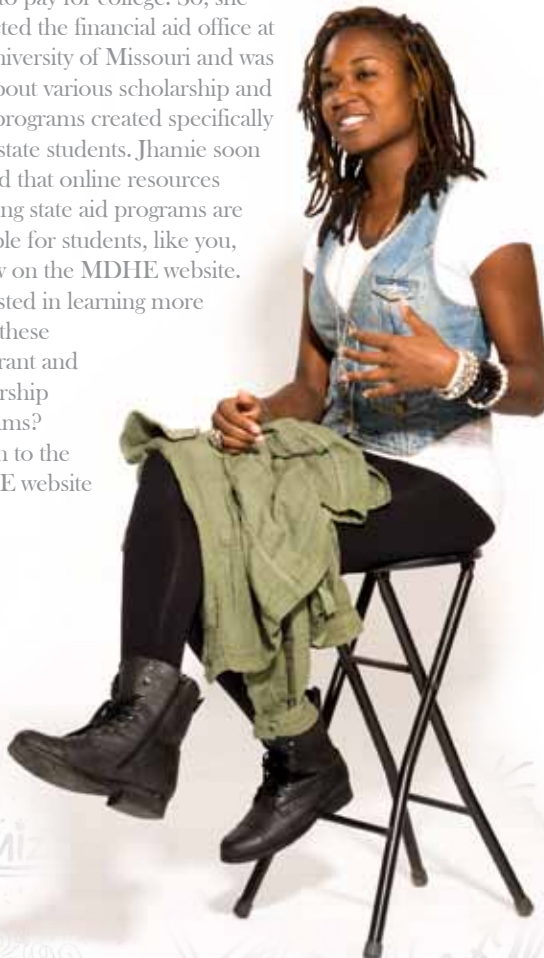


First-time college students often need help getting their financial ducks in a row. If you fall into this category, free help is available at *FAFSA Frenzy*. Financial aid professionals will be on hand at locations throughout the state in

February to help students and parents fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. To see a complete list of *FAFSA Frenzy* locations in your area, visit the MDHE’s website at dhe.mo.gov/ppe/fafsa_completion.php.

FAFSA Frenzy is a program of College Goal Sunday.

Aside from taking out student loans, first-generation college student **Jhamie Johnson-Scott** needed additional funds to pay for college. So, she contacted the financial aid office at the University of Missouri and was told about various scholarship and grant programs created specifically for in-state students. Jhamie soon learned that online resources outlining state aid programs are available for students, like you, to view on the MDHE website. Interested in learning more about these state grant and scholarship programs? Log on to the MDHE website today.



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A resource for Missouri students and their families

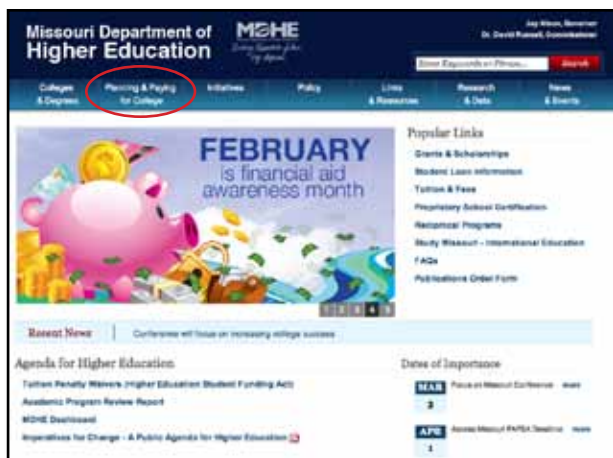


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Students & Parents Section

Exploring your Options

Check out the types of postsecondary schools available and learn about admissions requirements for Missouri's colleges and universities.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/exploringmyoptions.php

Monthly Student Reminder

Sign up to receive helpful tips, deadlines, and other useful information related to planning and paying for college.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/reminders2.php

Preparing for College

Look here for details on core curriculum requirements to make sure you're taking all the classes you need. Learn how to beef up your transcripts with Advanced Placement courses, or discover ways to research different career opportunities.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/preparingforcollege.php

Selecting a School

With so many choices available, our *Institution, Program and Degree Search* lets you zero in on just the school you're looking for. Search by programs offered, school type, degree type, or location.

www.highered.mo.gov/ProgramInventory/search.jsp

Grants & Scholarships Section

A+ Scholarship program

To obtain a list of postsecondary schools that are currently participating in this scholarship program, log on to our grants and scholarships Web page.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/aplusscholarship.php

Access Missouri program

Take a look at eligibility requirements, possible award amounts, and how to apply for Missouri's need-based financial assistance program.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/accessmo.php

Bright Flight program

Learn about the program that rewards students for top performance on either the ACT or SAT.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/brightflight.php

Marguerite Ross Barnett program

Students who are employed while attending college part time may be eligible for this program.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/rossbarnett.php

Read about application procedures and eligibility guidelines for other Missouri financial assistance programs:

- Advanced Placement Incentive Grant
- Kids' Chance Scholarship
- Minority and Underrepresented Environmental Literacy Program
- Minority Teaching Scholarship
- Public Service Officer or Employee's Child Survivor Grant
- Vietnam Veteran Survivor Grant
- Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant

Participating Schools

An easy-to-read chart lets you see at a glance which Missouri institutions participate in the various state student financial assistance programs.

www.dhe.mo.gov/files/participatingschools.pdf

Scholarship and Search Tips

Doing your research is important when you look at options for potential scholarships. Check out this helpful list for tips to help steer you in the right direction.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/scholarshipsearchtips.php

*There are many other financial assistance opportunities available to you. Be sure to check into the **Other Missouri Student Aid Programs** and **Federal Student Aid Programs** featured in the **Students & Parents** section.*

More Information

Coming in 2012!

The MDHE will soon launch a student portal designed to be a single point of contact for information about state aid, links to resources about preparing for and enrolling in postsecondary education, and access to helpful MDHE services and tools.

Financial Literacy

The financial literacy and debt management areas help you make smart money decisions, minimize your debt and create a manageable budget, allowing you to stay on track and in control of your finances.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/studentloans/financialliteracy.php

Free Publications

A glossary of higher education terms and a link to academic policies are also at your fingertips. Want to know more? Choose the request information link to find out how to have a *Planning and Paying for College* packet sent to your home.

<https://web.dhe.mo.gov/dhe/forms/publications/puborderform1.faces>

Links & Resources

Explore other programs and scholarship opportunities that may be useful to your method of planning and paying for college.

www.dhe.mo.gov/resources/

Student Loans

If you've decided to take out a student loan to help you reach your collegiate goals, the **Borrower** section provides important information on loan counseling requirements, repayment options and options for defaulted borrowers.

www.dhe.mo.gov/ppc/studentloans/

Webinars and More

View pre-recorded webcasts designed to help you and your parents navigate the world of financial aid.

www.dhe.mo.gov/webinars.php

Show-Me to College

Find events in your area such as college fairs, workshops on planning and paying for college and more.

www.masfap.org/showmetocollege/index.html